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From: FRITHSEN, JEFF

Sent: Tuesday, February 26, 2013 11:55 AM

To: Borum, Denis; Deener, Kathleen; Peck, Gregory

Cc: Loop, Travis; Blackburn, Elizabeth Subject: RE: SAB panel on connectivity report

## Denis:

The Waters of the U.S. Connectivity Report will be reviewed by the SAB. SAB process is to have a public comment period and those comments are provided to the SAB panel prior to their meeting. The SAB public comment period is typically one month. I believe these Public comments to the SAB are sent to the SAB, not through a public docket.

Separate from the SAB, it is likely that ORD will have a public comment period of about two months. The ORD public comment period is separate from the SAB public comment period. A separate docket will be created for this. The ORD public comment period will be planned so as to end prior to the SAB meeting, and, hopefully, so that the SAB panel can see a summary, if not the actual comments, received. The challenge here is that we don't know how many public comments will be submitted on the WOUS Connectivity Science report. We should keep in mind that the draft guidance received over 200,000 comments.

Did this help?

Jeff

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Follow-up question: Has there been any decision about whether the peer review would "be informed by" public input received as of that starting date? Thank you

**Denis** 

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No press release for the SAB FRN. We do have some high level messages and a few Q&As. See attached. There is a much more robust communications package for when we release the actual draft science report.

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From: Borum, Denis

**Sent:** Friday, February 22, 2013 8:24 AM **To:** FRITHSEN, JEFF; Peck, Gregory **Cc:** Loop, Travis; Deener, Kathleen

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Yes, and OCIR will handle. Does OW or ORD have draft press release, Q and A, etc.? Thanks, Jeff.